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GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The seventy-sixth semi-annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will commence on Friday, October 6th, 1905, at 10 a. m., in the Tabernacle at Salt Lake City. All the officers and members of the Church are invited and urged to be present during the sessions of the

JOSEPH F. SMITH, JOHN R. WINDER, ANTHON H. LUND. First Presidency.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCE

The semi-annual conference of the Desaret Sunday school union will be held in the Tabernacle Sunday evening. Oct. 8, 1905, at 7:30 o'clock. Of-Doors, teachers and pupils are requested to be present, and the public is cordially invited,

JOSEPH F. SMITH, GEORGE REYNOLDS, JOSEPH M. TANNER, General Superintendency.

THE STATE FAIR.

The annual Fair of the Descret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society opened under very favorable auspices. The capious rain of the week preceding settled the dust, washed the frees, cleared the atmosphere and gave e bracing tone to the air, while the exhibits are of the finest kind, and the numerous attractions provided for visitors render the exposition interesting and profitable, warranting the expectation that the Fair of 1905 will be the greatest and best ever given by the society. Our friends from the country will be sure to attend in large numbers and the people of this city ought not to neglect the opportunity afforded to Inspect the products and handiwork of the citizens of Utah, which mark to a great extent the progress of the State. The officers of the society have been diligent in their endeavors to gather from all quarters specimens of agriculture, fruit-raising, live stock of all kinds, exhibits of mechanical skill, of labor saving machinery, of domestic and fine arts and of other utilities too. numerous to mention. Improvements have been made in the grounds and buildings, an excellent street-car service is arranged for, and all things appear propitious for the week's daily exposition, which we confidently believe will prove eminently successful. Nobody should miss the State Fair, for It will be found educational as well as entertaining, and the children should. all be privileged with a visit to the exhibition. It will be open every day until the end of the present week,

UTAH'S MUSICIANS.

Everybody's Magazine for October gives deserved praise to one of our native musicians who is well known as a leader of the Theater orchestra, Mr. Arthur Shepherd, one of whose compositions has recently been issued by the Wa-Wan Press. It is called "Opus 2, (No. 1) a "Mazurka for Plane." It is praised by the magazine as a work that "betrays a technical maturity and confidence that would be noteworthy in a much more experienced writer." This criticism is founded on the idea that Mr. Shepherd is a very young musician, while the fact is that he is ; remposer of a number of musical works that are pronounced first-class by competent critics. Our Evan Stephens whose opinion all who know him will Walue, pronounces Arthur Shepperd "a musical genius." The Magazine from

Which we quote says further:

"We have seen none of his works in the larger forms. Whether he should construct an orchestral work of important dimensions with the finish and sympathy that he displays in putting together his small plane work remains to be seen; but unquestionably he is a pemposer with a singularly firm grasp of the essentials of tousleaf form, in its fundamental sense, and it is probable that he is able to handle designs of a wider seope and extent as successfully as he manipulates those of briefer span. He has, too, what is of far more moment, ideas and a distinctive manner of expressing them." Which we quote says further:

The magazine also recognizes the mupteal spirit that pervades this community, in the following pertinent re-

"Within recent years there has come into existence in a territory which East-orners are somewhat in the habit of re-garding as of indifferent artistic consequence, a creative musical spirit which has already proved its vitality in works of notable energy and individual pow-

This fact should receive recognition throughout the musical world. The talent which has been displayed of late years in this direction is really remarkable. In addition to the vocal and instrumental prodigies, male and female that Utah has produced, we have a the debts due. In this affair, too, the Panama canal to make them quit the

umber of composers of more than orlinary merit. Our Tabernacie choir ms gained great renown through the visits of people from different parts of the world, and the concert on Monday night, rendered by the Ogden Tabernacle choir, with Joseph Ballantyne as leader, (who by the way presented one of his own fine compositions,) aided by Salt Lake talent, has added to the fame of that organization. But there are other rs. In the north and in the south of this State there are choirs and musiclans that would make a sensution in any part of this great country. If the cultivation of music is a sign of culture and civilization, then Utah stands high on the ladder of progress, and the fame of its musicians and composers will yet reverberate throughout the world.

A NEVADA MAGAZINE.

Progressive West is the name of a monthly magazine printed at Carson City, Nevada. It is edited and published at Reno by Mrs. M. M. Garwood, who gives evidence of great ability in presenting readable articles on different subjects, but more particularly in reference to the upbuilding and development of the State of Nevada. According to her paper, Nevada has 1,000,000 acres of land, 2,000,000 acres of which will be cultivated eventually. and if water could be provided, as it may some day, three-fourths of the tillable soil could be redeemed. Nevada onlong, potatoes, turnips and beets are of immense size and excellent flavor. Stockmen are jubilant over the great Improvement in the cattle industry. The State has been chiefly devoted to mining interests, to the neglect of its agricultural facilities, but ac cording to Progressive West an interest has been aroused in farming and poultry raising, which gives the greatest encouragement to those who are engaged in these industries. Education in Nevada is making some strides. particulars of which are given in the magazine under consideration. It contains a very readable paper about Mark Twain by that facile writer Sam P. Davis. It has a woman's and a children's department in addition to others, and it stands up vigorously for the progress of the State. Following are a few notes ellipped from that maga-

Grapes, currants, strawberries, black-berries and raspberries find their nat-ural home in Nevada.

Nevada's pears, apples, peaches, plums, prunes, cherries and apricots are of the greatest excellence.

Seventy-five bushels of wheat to the acre have been raised in Nevada fields which had but one thorough irrigation. Nevada apples have competed suc-cessfully for ribbons against New York, Ohio and the famous old orchards throughout the east.

The State abounds in het springs of all degrees of temperature, and their sanitary virtues are tested daily. Some of them are lying unowned and almost

Every county in the State has undeveloped resources open lands at \$2 and \$3 per acre, mines to be found by effort, wages at the best rate for farm work, sheep tending and for all other

TOBACCO CONSUMPTION.

er in this country than in any other with the exception of Beiginm. The United States, however, takes the lead in the total of pounds consumed, being for ahead of the two nations that come next in the scale, Germany and Russia The statistics show that the United States yearly consumes 440,000,000 pounds of the weed; Germany uses 201,-783,000 pounds, and Russia, 150,244,000 pounds. This means that in this country 5,40 pounds a year are consume for every man, woman, and child. Ir Germany the per capita consumption ! only 3.44 pounds, and in Russia 1.10. Belgium leads with a per capita consumption of 6.21 pounds.

In this country the total value of tobacco manufactures, according to the twelfth census, was in excess of \$263,000,000, exclusive of the value of imported manufactures of tobacco and profits of all kinds, which are comparatively high in the tobacco trade The total government revenue of 65.8 million dollars constitutes thus a much smaller percentage of the total consumers' cost than In the European countries, with the possible exception of Germany and Belgium, where the tax

on tobacco is comparatively small. Is there any connection between the vast quantities of tobacco consumed in this country and the increase of neryous troubles and heart fallures, as noticed by physicians in recent years Americans use tobacco to excess, Many of them commence young, when the system is most liable to injury by the polson. Drinking follows smoking Then when continual rush and hurr strain the nervous systetm already weakened by nicotine and alcohol, is no wonder if there is a break-down If young men want to develop in man hood, they must avoid that which re tards the development of both physical and intellectual strength,

FOR THE MACEDONIANS.

Some time ago six of the Europe. powers muited in declaring their decision to take charge of the financial affairs of Macedonia. The Sultan. however, refuses to accede to this proposition, and the powers are facing either the alternative of using force or of retreating from the position as-

The Sultan, as a good Mohammedar cannot consent to any plan the object of which is to deprive Turkey of anything that belongs to that countryproperty, power, or any advantage whatever. In theory all such interests are held by him, in trust, for the cause of the faithful, and they must be defended unto death. That is the reason why the Sultan refuses even to pay indemnities that are admitted to be just, He is not supposed to give up, voluntarily, any property to the "infidels," If, however, the "infidels" compel him to pay, he is exonerated. And so he always does pay, when foreign flags appear in Turkish harbors, and foreign naval commanders propose to collect

only surrender when he is compelled to do so. He can have no other policy, as the alleged successor of Mohammed,

Macedonian finances means, of course. really the assumption of all the important functions of the government of that country, and it is high time for the civilized powers to step in and offer protection to the people there suffering under Turkish misgovernment. Massacre and plunder of the non-Moslem population have marked the history of Macedonia too long. Russia and Austria tried their hands in formulating a police were to be reorganized and placed under the command of a foreign officer and the rights of the Christians. were to be otherwise safeguarded. The plan practically came to nothing, and now the six governments have determined to make a fresh start. But the protection of property will inevitably require the protection of person, and It is at that point that international and Moslem authority will clash.

But this protection should not b confined to the Macedonians. The Armenians are also entitled to the protection of the civilized world. In fact, the affairs of Turkey need a total readjustment. The Turks should not be permitted to prey upon a number of conquered races. These should be liberated and given an equal opportunity with the Turks, to enjoy both life and liberty. The Turkish rule is antiquated. It does not fit into modern conditions. Let it be readjusted, for the

BOOMING GREENLAND.

in an article quoted by the Literary Digest, plends for means for an experimental voyage to some place in Greenland, in the interest of the suffer ers from tuberculosis. He is of the opinion that consumptives would be rapidly cured in the pure Arctic climate. The article says, in part:

"He believes that a summer spent la Omenak Fjord or Inglefield Gulf, is Greenland, would serve to establish a cure, or insure its accomplishment aft-grward, in nearly all cases in which e disease is not already completely erbalanced by septic complications, our tuberculous parients who have no to these places have been cured gone to these places have been cured promptly and effectually. In other words, 190 per cent in four cases have been cured. This evidence is not conclusive, and still this list includes all the known cases. The natives of northern Greenland do not have tuberculosis, although there has been ample opportunity for infection from visiting whites. The greatest single drawback in the treatment of tuberculosis is the ntinual occurrence of unavoidable ex septic nature. Catarrhal conditions not exist in the arctic, and the sep-bacteria are not native. In the momer months all life is forced and stimulated; men and animals quickly recover from the winter anemias, and there is just such a forcing of vitality that consumptives especially need. Printing here would be removed from a minuseness which favor in extension

If the persistent efforts to reach the North Pole have resulted in no other on is correct in his conclusions, they would be worth all they have cost, in money and lives. For consumption is a scourge against which science, so far, has won but few victories.

The rule of the road for the automobiles is to rule the road.

Artists are criticizing the new twenty-dollar bills. Sour grapes?

It would savor of piggishness for Mr. Loomis to seek any further vindication.

Boys should love their teachers, particularly when they are young and Counsel Hughes is laying bare the

"secret" of success as it was never laid bare before. The way in which Senator Platt says his health is good shows that his lungs

at least are not affected. -Milwaukee isn't a life insurance company but the grand jury has succeed-

ed in uncovering an awful amount of So an extraordinary grand jury is to

no called to consider the case of the Equitable Life Assurance company Pruly, the plot thickens.

Harry Leonard, who stole \$359,000 in ecurities from the National City bank of New York, says that he did it on a set. It is a safe bet that he will not

Senator La Follette is necused of having made \$20,000 on the lecture datform during the past summer, Better far to make it that way than to be retained by an insurance company as an attorney and for his general

Paymaster General Dodge thinks Uncle Sam's suldiers should receive more pay, saying that living expenses schedule some thirty-five years ago, But it is the government that bears the expense. Soldiers' pay will never equal nimers' wages,

President Hadley's talk to Yale students on "Ideals" shows him to be a standards. What is a college educaion for if not to teach a boy how to 'get there," making means a secondary obsideration? What queer notions the

"The ideal freight rate," said President Stickney of the Chicago Great Western, testifying before the interstate commerce commission, "is the one which gives satisfacton alike to the railroad and the shipper," When that times comes the lion and the lamb shall lie down together, and rapid-fire artilfery shall be turned into plowshares.

Clubbing Martinique laborers for the

Sultan will protest to the last, and ship is not a very humane proceeding, no matter what the circumstances were. It would seem as though some other way of getting them off might have The proposition to take charge of the been resorted to. It gives a very bad impression of how matters are conducted on the isthmus, though the canal management itself had nothing whatever to do with the case.

FUNERAL MEDALS.

Victor Smith in New York Press. A western millionaire mine owner, who recently lost his favorite son in an automobile accident, had several hundred funeral medals struck on pure gold and appropriately inscribed. I have sought in vain to obtain one in order to tell you what it looks like. The Washington funeral medals had on the obverse side a military bust of the general in a wreath of leaf sprays, mostly disconnected, the outside tendrils in erai in a wreath of leaf sprays, mostly disconnected, the outside tendrils in pairs. On the edge was "He is in giory; the world in tears." The reverse bears a skull and cross-bones, which strikes me as being out of place. Possibly funeral medals will come into fashion again one of these days.

AESENT MINDEDNESS.

Success Magazine.

Francis Wilson, the commedian, be-lieves the most absent-minded man lives in New Rochelle. Last summer Mr. Wilson's front door bell got out of order and refused to ring, and meet-ing a friend, an electrician, he asked him to call and make the necessary rehim to call and make the necessary repairs. Meeting the man several days afterward, he reminded him that the maiter had not been attended to and inquired when he could find it convenient to look after it. The electrician indignantly replied:

"Why, I called at your house the very day you asked me, I rang your front door bell time and time again and no one paid the slightest attention to me."

ROMANTIC NECKLACE STORY.

Boston Transcript.

There is a romantic story attaching to the great rone of pearls worn by the Princess Predericka of Hanover at recent functions. They are magnificent specimens and very old. Centuries ago a princess of the house loved them so that they were buried with her. But in process of time the great grief of her relatives grew gradually fainter and fainter until they began to whisper what a shame it was that such glorious what a shame it was that such gloriou jewels should be wasted. One day th jewels should be wasted. One day the princess' tomb was opened and the pearl necklace was taken from her neck. But the pearls were spoiled, they had lost their luster and beauty. The new owner went over them and dreamed about them, and her dream told her that three generations of lovely women would have to wear them before their luster returned. Three lovely princesses did wear them, and they are now pearls without peers. are now pearls without peers.

ONLY SELFISH.

Haverhill Gazette.

The politics of the corporation contributing to campaign funds are always the politics of the party, which is calculated to come out on top, and if there is any doubt about it then the politics are so carefully mixed that no one can tell which is which and either position is well hedged in case of a loss. There would be iss danger if the corporations were even partisan, but they are simply selfish.

GOOD LIBRARIES AND NEWSPAPERS.

Boston Transcirpt. There is a certain paratlelism between the library and newspaper conditions of a community; a place that v support a good newspaper will be for

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

An article by the Rev. N. L. Rockey, the current number of Leslie's Weekon "Self-torture in India," prove at there is still a fertile field for phil that there is still a fertile field for philanthropic effort in that country. The illustrations show the religious fanaticism of some natives, in its most hideous form. Drivers of automobiles may gain valuable bints from the article, "How the Speeding Autoist Is Caught," by W. P. S. Earle, with illustrations. Pictorially, the issue is up to the usual high standard. The S. Louis world'sfair grounds, which look as if struck by a cyclone; the National Sallors' Home, at Wollaston. Mass.; the brilliant electrici display at the Portland exposition; the news and amateur prize photo contests, and the current theatoto contests, and the current theat-al offerings in New York are sub-its for full pages of illustrations. The lepartmental features are also worthy of notice.—New York.

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